

### **Processing a Change of Appointing Office (CAO)**

#### Introduction

As of October 7, all Agencies will have deployed the EHRP system. Since the deployments are complete, the EHRP team will implement different procedures for processing Changes of Appointing Office (CAO's). The key difference with this new approach is that the Agencies will no longer have to utilize the Help PoC system.

This procedure will take 2 scenarios into consideration. The first scenario will be when an employee is moving from one DHHS agency to another DHHS agency, for example, from FDA to NIH. The second scenario will be when an employee moves from one Admin Code to another within the same agency, for example moving from DAFA to DBR within FDA.

NOTE: The losing Agency or Admin Code should be sure to stop the special pays when initiating or performing a CAO action.

### Navigational Path

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Or

Access the item using the Worklist.

# Navigational Tips



- The icon represents a look-up prompt. Clicking this button will allow you to look up all possible entry options for this field.
- The icon represents a date prompt. Clicking this button will produce a pop-up calendar for reference. To select a specific date from the pop-up calendar as the field entry, simply click on the date. Use the arrows to move through the months and years.

### Security and CAO



Since this employee is changing agencies (or admin codes) within DHHS, the new agency is unable to see the employee's record due to the security profiles created within EHRP. Security ultimately determines your access to view the employee's record. Thus, it is critical that the Agency <u>from which</u> the employee is transferring initiates this process.



#### PROCESSING THE CAO AS THE LOSING AGENCY

**Procedure** The following steps detail the procedure for processing a CAO as the Losing

agency using the EHRP system:

1 The Gaining Agency contacts the losing agency to initiate the CAO action.

*NOTE:* The Gaining Agency must communicate the effective date of the action and the position number the employee will be occupying.

- If the employee was entitled to special pay, stop these special pays.
- 3 Process a stop for all special pays using the applicable stop NOAs.

NOTES: The special pays include union dues deduction, subsistence deduction, quarters deduction, laundry deduction, cost-of-living allowance (COLA), post differential allowance, uniform allowance and PCA. For additional information about stopping the special pay see Chapter 12 Section 10a and Chapter 16 Section 4 in your HR Training Manual.

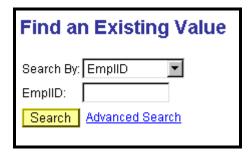
When the Losing Agency is done with the employee's record, they will initiate the CAO action by following the steps below.

*NOTE:* Once the action has been initiated, the losing agency will no longer have access to the employees record.

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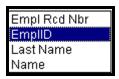
The Find an Existing Value page appears.



6 Select the variable you would like to **Search By** from the drop down list.

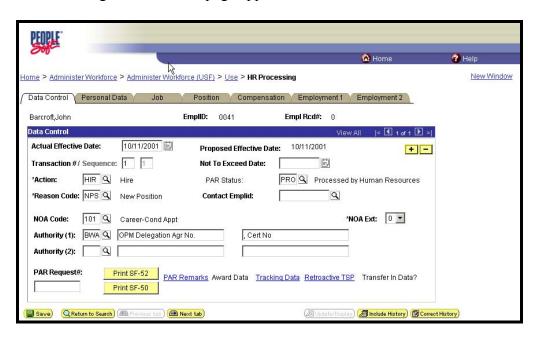


The search options include:



- 7 Enter the appropriate variable in the next field. (i.e. Last Name)
- 8 Click Search
- 9 Select the correct employee.

The following **Data Control** page appears:



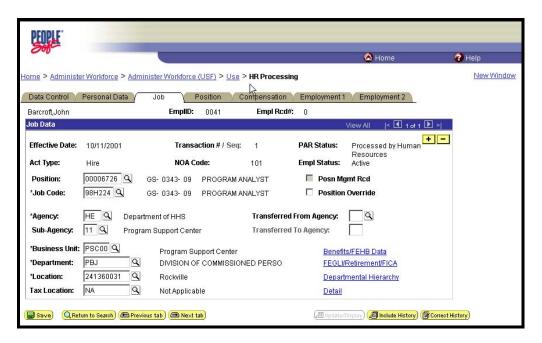
*NOTE:* The **Data Control** page will be populated with the most recent personnel action performed for the selected employee.

- Click the in the **Data Control** box to insert another row into the employee's record.
- 11 Enter the **Actual Effective Date** for the change of appointing office action.
- 12 Change the **PAR Status** to "INI."
- Enter "XFR" in the **Action** code field.



- 14 Enter the applicable **Reason Code**.
- 15 Click the **Job** tab.

The following **Job** page appears:



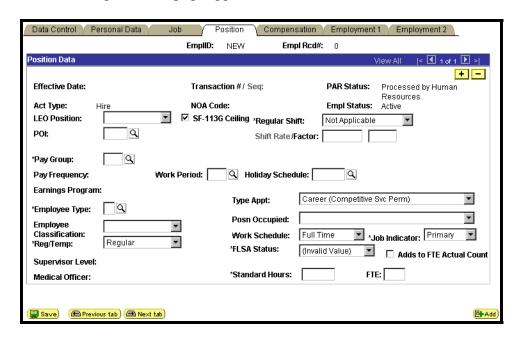
Enter the **Position** number.

*NOTE:* This is the position number that the employee will occupy in the Gaining Agency.

17 Click the **Position** tab.



#### The following **Position** page appears:



- Enter the Pay Group in the **Pay Group** field.
- 19 Click Save
- 20 Contact the Gaining Agency to inform them that the action has been initiated.

#### PROCESSING THE CAO AS THE GAINING AGENCY

**Procedure** The following steps detail the procedure for processing a CAO as the Gaining agency using the EHRP system:

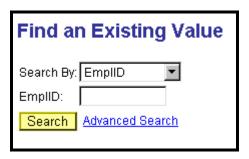
- The Losing Agency notifies the Gaining Agency that the CAO action has been initiated
- The Gaining Agency will then follow the steps below to complete the processing of the action.

*NOTE:* The person processing this action must have Correct History capability.

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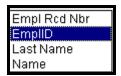


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Select the variable you would like to **Search By** from the drop down list.

The search options include:



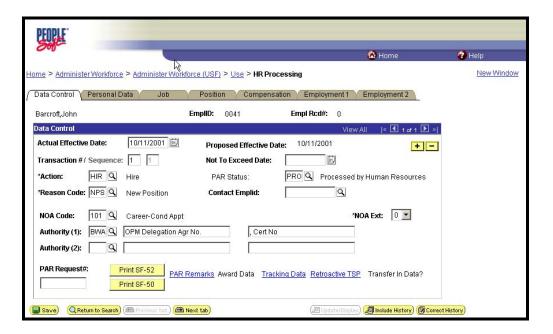
- 5 Enter the appropriate variable in the next field. (i.e. Last Name)
- 6 Click Search
- 7 Select the correct employee.

NOTE: Be sure Correct History is selected.

The following **Data Control** page appears:

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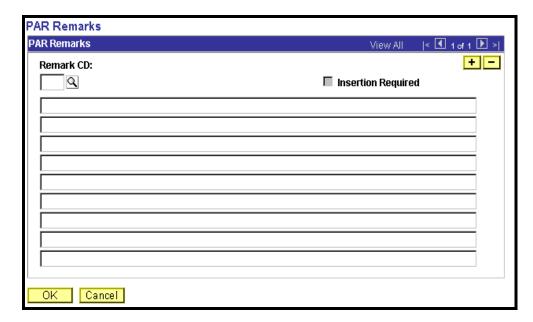




- 8 Locate the initiated CAO action.
- If necessary, update the **Actual Effective Date** for the change of appointing office action.
- 10 Change the PAR status from INI to either REV or PRO depending on the agency's policy.
- 11 Verify the data entered on the Data Control page.
- Enter the applicable NOA Code in the **NOA Code** field.
- Enter the **NOA Ext** (Extension).
- Enter Authority (1).
- To enter **PAR Remarks**, click the hyperlink of the same name.



#### The following **PAR Remarks** sub-page appears:



Enter the applicable **Remark CD (Code)** and tab out of the field to see the text of the remark.

To add additional remarks, use the to insert a row.

*NOTE:* If the **Remark CD** contains a "\*\*\*\*", you must replace the asterisks with specific information. (i.e. this field may prompt you to enter date)

NOTE: To enter a freeform remark, enter "ZZZ" in the **Remark CD** field. Enter applicable remark text in sentence format. Text should fill the line. Once the line is filled, move to the next line. There is no autowrap feature. Do not hyphenate across lines. If a word requires hyphenation, move it to the next line. Do not use bullets or dashes. The "ZZZ" remark can only be used once for each personnel action.

*NOTE:* Within the EHRP system, there is no limitation to the amount of remarks that can be captured.

#### Mandatory Remarks



The system does not generate or suggest mandatory remarks that need to be entered in accordance with the NOA Code you are processing. Use the appropriate remarks based on OPM processing guidelines. There will no longer be HHS specific remarks for entry, except for the freeform ZZZ.

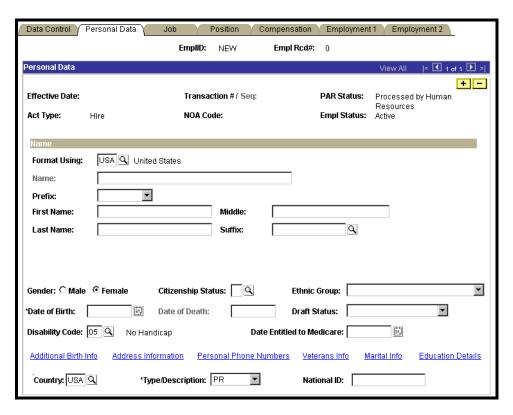


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Click OK to return to the **Data Control** page.

19 Click on the **Personal Data** tab.

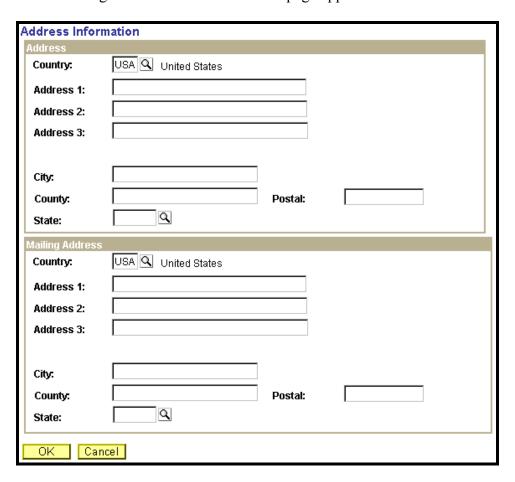
The following **Personal Data** page appears:



- Review the data on the Personal Data page and modify if necessary.
- 21 Click the **Address Information** hyperlink.



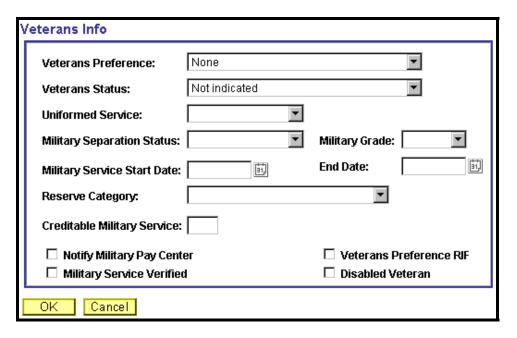
### The following **Address Information** sub-page appears:



- Review the data and modify if necessary.
- Click OK to return to the **Personal Data** page.
- 24 Click the **Veterans Info** hyperlink.



#### The following **Veterans Info** sub-page appears:



- Review the data and modify if necessary.
- Click OK to return to the **Personal Data** page.
- 27 Click the **Job** tab

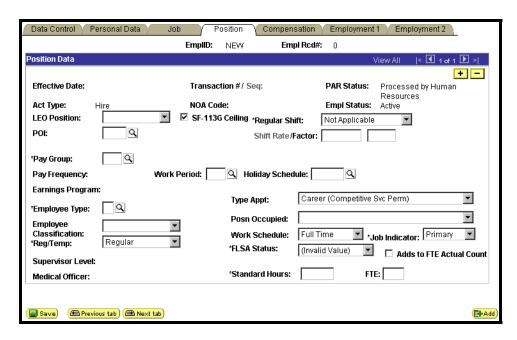
The following **Job** page appears:





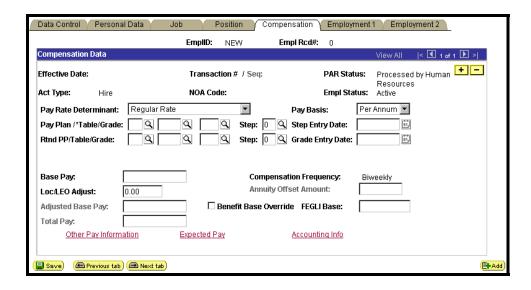
- 28 Review the data and modify if necessary.
- 29 Click the **Position** tab.

The following **Position** page appears:



- Review the data and modify if necessary.
- 31 Click on the Compensation tab.

The following Compensation page appears:

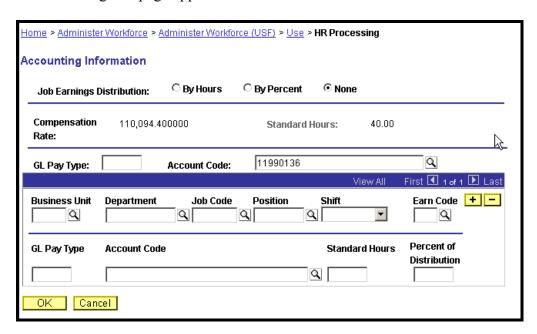


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- Enter the Step.
- Review the data and modify if necessary
- Click on the **Accounting Information** hyperlink.

The following sub-page appears:



Enter or modify the CAN in the **Account Code** field closer to the top of the page.

In the above example, a CAN code of 11990136 is listed.

#### Common Account Number

The Common Account Number (CAN) is a required field.



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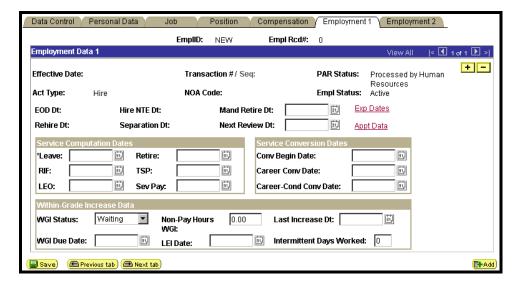
Click OK to return to the **Compensation** page.

41 Click on the **Employment 1** tab.

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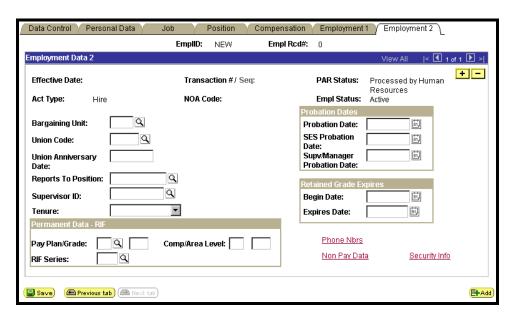


The following page appears:



- 42 Review the data and modify if necessary.
- Click on the **Employment 2** tab.

The following page appears:



NOTE: The following fields default based on the position selected:

- Bargaining Unit
- Union Code
- Reports To Position

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- Confirm the **Reports To Position** for the employee.
- In the **Tenure** field, select the appropriate type of tenure, as applicable.
- As applicable, enter the employee's compensation level in the **Comp Level** field.
- In the **Probation Date**, enter the completion date for the employee's probation, if applicable.

*NOTE:* If this employee is a SES or Supervisor/Manager enter the probation completion date in the appropriate field.

- As applicable, enter the employee security information in the Security Info hyperlink.
- Click Save

*NOTE:* Document the employee identification number (EMPLID) to facilitate future processing.

# **Health Benefits Change**



If the employee is transferring outside of the service area of their current health benefits coverage selection, the employee may change their health benefits. See Chapter 15, Section 3 for details on changing health benefits in EHRP.

# Health Benefits and Pay

Validate the benefits and pay information for the employee.



## Start Special Pay



If the employee is entitled to speical pays for the new position, the special pay items must be started. See Chapter 12, Section10a and Chapter 16, Section 4 for details about how to start special pay or allowances.

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#### PROCESSING A CAO WHEN AN EMPLOYEE IS MOVING WITHIN AN AGENCY

- When an employee, is moving from one Admin Code to another within the same Agency, the above procedure can be followed or an alternate procedure can be implemented.
- At least one individual within each Agency will have access to all admin codes within that Agency. This person will most likely be in the SPO. Since this individual would have access to both the losing and gaining Admin Codes, this person would initiate the CAO. Follow the steps 1 20 of the Processing a CAO as the Losing Agency to initiate the action. Notify the appropriate individual in the Gaining Admin code to complete the action.

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